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For : METHOD FOR CONTROLLING AVERAGE PORE DIAMETER OF POROUS

BODY COMPRISING APATITE/COLLAGEN COMPOSITE FIBERS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed June 10, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks and concurrent submission of a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132. Inasmuch as the Office Action sets a three-month shortened statutory period for response to expire on September 10, 2010, this response is filed concurrently with a Request for Two-Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee. If any additional extension of time is necessary the same is hereby requested and if any fees are necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, including any additional extension and/or claim fee, the Office is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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